SENATE BILL No. 147

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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 33-33.

Synopsis: Courts and court officers. Allows the judges of the Floyd circuit, superior, and county courts to jointly appoint a second full-time magistrate. Allows the judge of the Franklin circuit court to appoint one full-time magistrate. Allows the judges of the Hamilton superior court to jointly appoint a second full-time magistrate. Adds a second judge to the Jackson superior court beginning January 1, 2009. Adds a second judge to the Putnam superior court beginning January 1, 2009. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on courts.)

Effective: July 1, 2007.

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January 8, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type.~~
  Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.
  Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *~~this style type~~* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2006 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1   SECTION 1. IC 33-33-22-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 1. (a) Floyd County
3 constitutes the fifty-second judicial circuit.
4   (b) The judges of the Floyd circuit court, Floyd superior court, and
5 Floyd county court may jointly appoint ~~one (1)~~ **two (2)** full-time
6 ~~magistrate~~ **magistrates** under IC 33-23-5 to serve the circuit, superior,
7 and county courts.
8   (c) ~~The~~ **A** magistrate continues in office until removed by the judges
9 of the Floyd circuit, superior, and county courts.
10   SECTION 2. IC 33-33-24-2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
11 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
12 1, 2007]: **Sec. 2. The judge of the Franklin circuit court may**
13 **appoint one (1) full-time magistrate under IC 33-23-5. The**
14 **magistrate continues in office until removed by the judge.**
15   SECTION 3. IC 33-33-29-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
16 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 6. The judges of the
17 Hamilton superior court may jointly appoint ~~one (1)~~ **two (2)** full-time

1   ~~magistrate~~ **magistrates** under IC 33-23-5. ~~The~~ **A** magistrate continues
2   in office until removed by the judges of the superior court.
3   SECTION 4. IC 33-33-36-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
4   FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 3. The Jackson superior
5   court has ~~one (1) judge~~ **two (2) judges** who shall hold sessions in
6   Seymour.
7   SECTION 5. IC 33-33-67-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
8   FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 3. (a) IC 33-29-1-3
9   does not apply to this section.
10   (b) The Putnam superior court has ~~one (1) judge~~ **two (2) judges** who
11   shall be elected at the general election every six (6) years in Putnam
12   County. ~~The~~ **A** judge's term begins January 1 following the election and
13   ends December 31 following the election of the judge's successor.
14   (c) To be eligible to hold office as a judge of the court, a person
15   must be:
16   (1) a resident of Putnam County; and
17   (2) admitted to the practice of law in Indiana.
18   SECTION 6. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007] **(a) Notwithstanding**
19   **IC 33-33-36-3, as amended by this act, the Jackson superior court**
20   **is not expanded to two (2) judges until January 1, 2009.**
21   **(b) The initial election of the judge of the Jackson superior court**
22   **added by IC 33-33-36-3, as amended by this act, is the general**
23   **election on November 4, 2008. The term of the initially elected**
24   **judge begins January 1, 2009.**
25   **(c) This SECTION expires January 2, 2009.**
26   SECTION 7. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007] **(a) Notwithstanding**
27   **IC 33-33-67-3, as amended by this act, the Putnam superior court**
28   **is not expanded to two (2) judges until January 1, 2009.**
29   **(b) The initial election of the judge of the Putnam superior court**
30   **added by IC 33-33-67-3, as amended by this act, is the general**
31   **election on November 4, 2008. The term of the initially elected**
32   **judge begins January 1, 2009.**
33   **(c) This SECTION expires January 2, 2009.**

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